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## **AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO ACTION OF MARCH 21, 2006**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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#### Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

#### Listing of Claims:

#### 1.-21. (Cancelled)

 (Currently Amended) A method of making a shaving razor, the shaving razor including a recess, the method comprising

providing a housing including a generally rectangular recess having four side walls,

providing a plurality of elongated metal razor blades, each blade having a cutting edges and first and second longitudinal ends, and

securing said first longitudinal ends to a first plastic block and said second longitudinal ends to a second end block at locations on said first and second plastic block such that said cutting edges define a shaving surface, and said blades and blocks provide an integrated blade subassembly,

wherein no part of said integrated blade subassembly extends beyond an outer surface of said blocks, and

inserting said integrated subassembly into the rectangular recess.

## 23.-27. (Cancelled)

28. (Original) The method of claim 23 wherein said recess is open to the top, and said positioning involves lowering said integrated blade subassembly into said recess.

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29. (Currently Amended) A shaving razor comprising

a housing defining a generally rectangular recess having four side walls, and, within and surrounded by the side walls of the housing,

a blade subassembly comprising

a plurality of elongated metal blades having cutting edges defining a shaving surface, said blades having first and second longitudinal ends, and

first and second plastic blocks, said first longitudinal ends being secured to said first plastic block and said second longitudinal ends being secured to said second plastic block to provide an integral unit, said blades being secured to each other only at their ends,

wherein no part of the blade subassembly extends beyond an outer surface of said blocks.

## 30. (Cancelled)

- 31. (New) The razor of claim 29 wherein said first and second longitudinal ends are received in slots in said first and second plastic blocks.
- 32. (New) The razor of claim 31 wherein said first and second longitudinal ends and said slots have mating locking structure to secure said first and second longitudinal ends to said first and second plastic blocks.
- 33. (New) The razor of claim 33 wherein said locking structure includes projections projecting into said slots that engage holes through said longitudinal ends.
- 34. (New) The razor of claim 34 wherein said longitudinal ends have a thickness that is greater than the width of the slot minus the height of the projection.

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35. (New) The razor of claim 29 wherein each said blade includes an elongated cutting member having said cutting edge and a said first longitudinal end and a said second longitudinal end.

- 36. (New) The razor of claim 29 wherein said plurality of elongated metal blades includes at least three said blades.
- 37. (New) The razor of claim 29 wherein said plurality of elongated metal blades includes at least four said blades.

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#### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-21, 23-27 and 30 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 22 and 29 have been amended, and claims 31-37 have been added. Claims 22, 28-29 and 31-37 are in the case.

Applicants' claims have been rejected as anticipated by or unpatentable over Andrews '201. Applicants respectfully submit that these rejections are overcome by the present amendment. Andrews does not teach or suggest a razor in which the housing includes a generally rectangular recess having four side walls, nor does he teach or suggest inserting an integrated blade subassembly into such a recess so that the side walls of the recess surround the subassembly. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

It is believed that no fees are due with this submission. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 00216-674001.

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